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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 14 March 1966

of ORR gave a background briefing on comparisons of economic growth rates of Eastern and Western Europe.

ADD/I tabled a copy of Task Force LOOKOUT's latest report. PI coverage primarily by BLUE SPRINGS drone has improved. The Soviet ship under special observation appears bound for Djakarta and does not appear to be carrying any major military equipment.

ADD/I noted completion of a memo by ORR describing communications facilities for strategic Soviet rocket forces. (See Action 1)

Godfrey briefed on the situations in Indonesia, Vietnam, and Canada.

Kent noted that a SNIE on possible reactions to deployment of OXCART will be ready for USIB consideration this week.

deSilva noted that a presentation can be made to DCI at any time convenient on the ______ DCI requested that arrangements be expedited to present this to the JCS so as to speed its introduction in Vietnam.

deSilva said that he would be leaving tomorrow to head the interagency mission to Thailand. He will return in early April.

deSilva reported on the Viet Cong attack on the Vung Tau training center on 11 March. The attack involved mortar fire, grenades, and rifle fire. DCI noted the need to follow up on the results of a current investigation looking to improvement of the camp's defenses.

Houston reported that Speaker McCormack on 11 March in conversation with an OLC officer paid compliments to the Agency and the DCI.

ADD/P noted that DD/P will return to Washington tomorrow evening.

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ACTIONS:

l. DCI requests consideration of doing an Agency memo on what is known about Soviet command and control theory and practices. He also requests that the Collection Guidance Staff consider the state of our knowledge on this subject and issue collection guidance as appropriate. (DD/I - Status report by 28 March)

DONE

2. DCI requests that OGC check with Senator Gore to ensure that the Senator has received answers to recent questions he put to us.

(OGC - In the course of the day)

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